BEFORE THE KANSAS BOARD OF PHARMACY

In the Matter of)	
)	Case No. 21-037
Atasha Connor)	
)	
Registration No. 24-113478)	

SUMMARY ORDER

NOW, on this 4th day of May 2021, comes before the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (the "Board"), through its Executive Secretary, the matter of Atasha Connor, ("Applicant"), for application for registration as a Kansas pharmacy technician.

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Board by the Kansas Pharmacy Act, K.S.A. 65-1625, *et seq.*, and in accordance with the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, K.S.A. 77-501, *et seq.*, the Board's Executive Secretary enters this Summary Order in the above-captioned matter. After reviewing the application materials and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, the Board makes the following findings, conclusions and order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On December 7, 2020, the Board received Applicant's application for registration as a pharmacy technician in the State of Kansas ("Applicant's Application").
- 2. Applicant answered "YES" to the following question on her application: *Have you been charged with or convicted of (includes plea of guilty or no contest) a criminal offense or is there any criminal charge now pending against you (other than minor traffic violations) in any state or federal court whether or not a sentence was imposed, suspended, or diverted? This includes misdemeanors.* The application directs that if the applicant answers yes, the applicant must attach a Form S-150: Personal History ("Form S-150").



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Alexandra Blasi, Executive Secretary

Laura Kelly, Governor

May 4, 2021

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RE: Case No. 21-037

Dear Ms. Connor:

Enclosed you will find a Summary Order issued by the Kansas Board of Pharmacy (Board) in the above-referenced matter. Please read the order in its entirety.

If you disagree with the findings of fact, you have the right to request a hearing. Instructions for filing a written request are included under the "Notices" section of the order. Hearings are held before the full Board during their regularly scheduled quarterly meetings.

According to KSA 65-1627h, the Board is required to recoup the costs of administrative hearings when the decision is adverse to the licensee. These costs may include charges for services rendered by the Board's disciplinary counsel, an administrative law judge, and, if applicable, a court reporter.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Board at Pharmacy. Compliance@ks.gov.

Sincerely,

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

Enclosure

- 3. On her Form S-150, Applicant briefly noted several DUI incidents, and that she was currently fighting the latest charge in court. Also included were several letters of recommendation from Applicant's recent employ in the medical field, speaking highly of her professional character.
- 4. On or about December 10, 2020, the Board received background information confirming Applicant had DUI charges from October 2018 and March 2020, the latter of which also carried a probation violation charge.
- 5. On December 22, 2020, the Board mailed a letter to Applicant's address of record requesting certified copies of the court pleadings from each case.
- 6. On February 12, 2021 the Board received the requested court documentation. Applicant's court records documented that she pled guilty to the 2018 DUI and was placed on 3-year probation with a 9-month treatment program in December of 2018. The documents also indicated that Applicant's 2020 DUI case had progressed to arraignment but not yet been to court due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. That pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1663, the Board may limit, suspend, or revoke a registration or deny an application for issuance or renewal of any registration as a pharmacy technician on any ground which would authorize the Board to take action against the license of a pharmacist under K.S.A. 65-1627, and amendments thereto.
- 2. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(2), the Board may place in a probationary status the license of any pharmacist upon a finding that the licensee has been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor of gross immorality or moral turpitude, and the licensee fails to show that the licensee has been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust.

- 3. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3), the Board may place in a probationary status the license of any pharmacist who has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct.
- 4. Pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1626(uuu), unprofessional conduct includes conduct likely to harm the public.
- 5. Applicant's 2018 DUI incident is a basis to place Applicant's registration in a probationary status pursuant to K.S.A. 65-1627(a)(3), as the potential harm of repeatedly breaking laws and endangering the public may place the pharmacy community at risk. Furthermore, Applicant is still under the court probation agreement and awaiting the outcome of her most recent offense therefore unable to show that she has been sufficiently rehabilitated to warrant the public trust at this time.
- 6. To prevent harm, the issuance of any registration to Applicant should be carefully supervised and scrutinized to ensure the protection of the public.

ORDER

Based upon the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, Applicant's Application for issuance of pharmacy technician registration is hereby GRANTED subject to a 2-year probationary status. The terms of Applicant's probation are as follows:

- Applicant must continue compliance with the terms of her court probation agreement, as well as any future-imposed court requirements;
- Applicant must notify the Board of any change in her probation or court status within 10 days of the change;
- Applicant must notify the Board of any arrest or criminal charge within 10 days of the date of the arrest or charge;

- Applicant must notify the Board of any change in employment within 10 days of

the change and obtain Board approval for the change;

- Applicant must inform employers of the probationary status of her pharmacy

technician registration;

- Applicant must obtain the signature of her pharmacist-in-charge (PIC)

documenting knowledge of her probationary status to the Board; and

- Applicant must comply with all rules and regulations of the Pharmacy Practice

Act.

NOTICES

Applicant is hereby notified as follows:

1. Applicant may request a hearing pursuant to the Kansas Administrative Procedure

Act by filing a written request with the Kansas Board of Pharmacy, 800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414,

Topeka, KS 66612-1231 within fifteen (15) days after service of this order.

2. If a hearing is not requested as described above, the Order shall become a final

order of the Board, effective upon the expiration of the time to request a hearing.

3. Within fifteen (15) days after entry of a final agency order, either party may file

a petition for reconsideration pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529.

4. Within the time limits established in K.S.A. 77-613, either party may seek judicial

review of a final agency order, pursuant to said statute. The agency officer designated to receive

service of a petition for judicial review is

Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA

Executive Secretary

Kansas Board of Pharmacy

800 SW Jackson, Suite 1414

Topeka, KS 66612

SUMMARY ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED.	
5/4/2021	alex Basi
Date	Alexandra Blasi, JD, MBA
	Executive Secretary
	Kansas Board of Pharmacy

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I did, on the 4th day of May 2021, deposit in business mail a copy of the foregoing Summary Order, which is then placed in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, properly addressed to the following:

ATASHA CONNOR PO BOX 187 SATANTA, KS 67870

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